

according to the characterising features of claims 1 or 8 in conjunction with the features of the preambles of claims 1 or 8. Advantageous embodiments of the invention arise with the features further described below of the subordinate claims.--

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 3, line <sup>23</sup>~~17~~ as follows:

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--Due to the separating web extending along a generally enclosed edge of the partial area, it becomes possible to cover the partial area for the first pulverization ~~pulverisation~~ step with a mask which is solely secured to the forming tool. The mask, which does not necessarily have to follow exactly each surface contour of the forming tool, is for this purpose clamped to the forming tool with its sealing edge, preferably an inflatable bead, abutting against the boundary web, such that the said mask is held by the separating web. Thus an extremely effective sealing of the partial area is achieved with a very simple sintering tool. In particular, a simple powder box without additional features can be used. Without great outlay and with greatly reduced effects of tolerance-related deviations by comparison with the prior art, due to the effective sealing powder displacement into the partial area is reliably avoided during the first pulverization ~~pulverisation~~ step, even if the edge of the partial area follows a three-dimensional contour. If the first pulverization ~~pulverisation~~ step is followed, after removal of the mask, by a further pulverization ~~pulverisation~~ step using a different plastics material, differing for example in color ~~colour~~ or mechanical properties, plastic skins can be produced, effectively avoiding scrap, which in a partial area have correspondingly differing properties, and in comparison with the prior art, more general courses of separating lines between areas of different color ~~colour~~ or any other properties are possible. Here a single production step, described as a pulverization ~~pulverisation~~ step, can include the application of powder to the heated forming tool, melting-on and removal of excess powder, also in a multiple sequence, for example by repeated rotation of powder box and forming tool.--

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 5, line <sup>29</sup>~~9~~ as follows:

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